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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT IN
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This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is filed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c) and includes a Statement in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e). The Statement applies to all references listed on Form PTO-1449 (1 page). A fee for filing this statement should not be due. If, however, it is determined that a fee is due, any fees that may be due in connection with filing this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. §1.56 to inform the Patent Office of all references known by Applicant or Applicant's representative that may be material to the examination of the subject application, Applicant's representative hereby provides this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement that is prepared in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98. Forms PTO-1449 (1 page), an International Search Report and a copy of the cited non U.S. Patent document are provided herewith.

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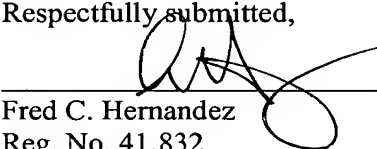
Further to the list provided in the communication filed on November 12, 2004, the Applicant also makes known to the Examiner the following pending International Applications that have one or more common inventors and/or are commonly owned:

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Although these documents are made known to the Patent and Trademark Office in compliance with Applicant's duty of disclosure, such disclosure is not to be construed as an admission by Applicant or Applicant's representative that any of the references, singly or in any combination thereof, is effective as prior art against the subject application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(h), the filing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b) exists.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner review the foregoing references and they be made of record in the file history of the above-captioned application.

Respectfully submitted,



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This statement is being made for the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement accompanying this certification:

I, Fred C. Hernandez, certify that all items of information contained in the accompanying Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement were first cited in a communication from the International Searching Authority, received on January 14, 2005, in connection with PCT International Patent Application No. PCT/US2004/027719, which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/497,853 and the above identified application. Thus, all items of information contained in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement were first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, which was not received by any individual designated in § 1.56(c) more than thirty days prior to the filing of the attached Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

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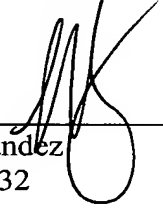
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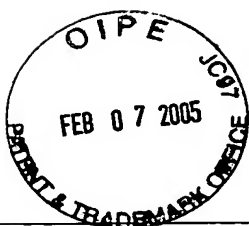


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U.S. Patent Documents

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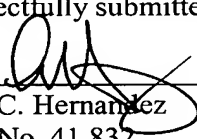
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, a Statement for Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e), Forms PTO-1449 (1 page), an International Search Report, and a cited non U.S. patent reference for filing in connection with the above-identified application. Because this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is filed prior to receipt of a first office action on the merits in the above-referenced application, no fee is due. However, should it be determined that a fee for filing these papers is required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 06-1050, as stated below:

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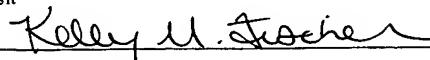
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